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In Re Application of:)	
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Serial No.: 10/613,740)	Group Art Unit: 3644
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For: HOOFED ANIMAL PAD)	

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment and Response is responsive to an Official Action mailed from the U.S.

Patent and Trademark Office on April 26, 2004.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2, 5, and 16-18.

Please amend the claims as follows:

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A resilient pad to be placed between a foot and a shoe of a hoofed animal comprising:

a first region substantially defined by the area of the shoe; and

a second region having a shock absorbent envelope comprising a polymeric gel, and the

second region being substantially defined by an area enclosed by the shoe; and